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Transmitted herewith for filing is the Patent Application of:

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For: **SOLUTION FOR COPPER HILLOCK INDUCED BY THERMAL STRAIN WITH BUFFER ZONE FOR STRAIN**

RELAXATION

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 4 sheets of drawing(s) - formal.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to **Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co.**
- ☐ An associate power of attorney ☐ Applicant claims small entity status
- ☐ Request & Certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(b)(i)

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